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# ***Air Force District of Washington's Worldwide Mission***

**CAO June 2024**

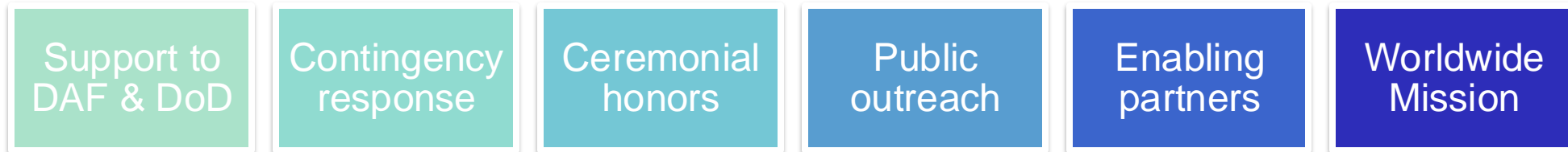
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# What is AFDW?

- AFDW HQ is located at Joint Base Andrews (JBA), MD and is one of four direct reporting units (DRUs) to the CSAF
- AFDW executes six distinct missions, one of which has become colloquially known as AFDW's Worldwide Mission



- AFDW is made up of the 316<sup>th</sup> Wing and 844<sup>th</sup> Communications Group which are located at JBA and the 11<sup>th</sup> Wing, Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling (JBAB), DC



# ***AFDW Overview***

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- **AFDW resulted from the merging of three distinct missions:**
  - **Provide administrative support to Headquarters AF Airmen in National Capital Region**
  - **Present AF Forces to JTF/CC at Ft. McNair, DC**
  - **Provide administrative support and Command Authority to Airmen not assigned to a MAJCOM and whose Commander is not authorized to execute S/GCMCA – the Worldwide Mission**
  
- **Since AFDW stood up in 2004, the Worldwide Mission has grown in scope and depth**



# Why do we have AFDW Worldwide Airmen?

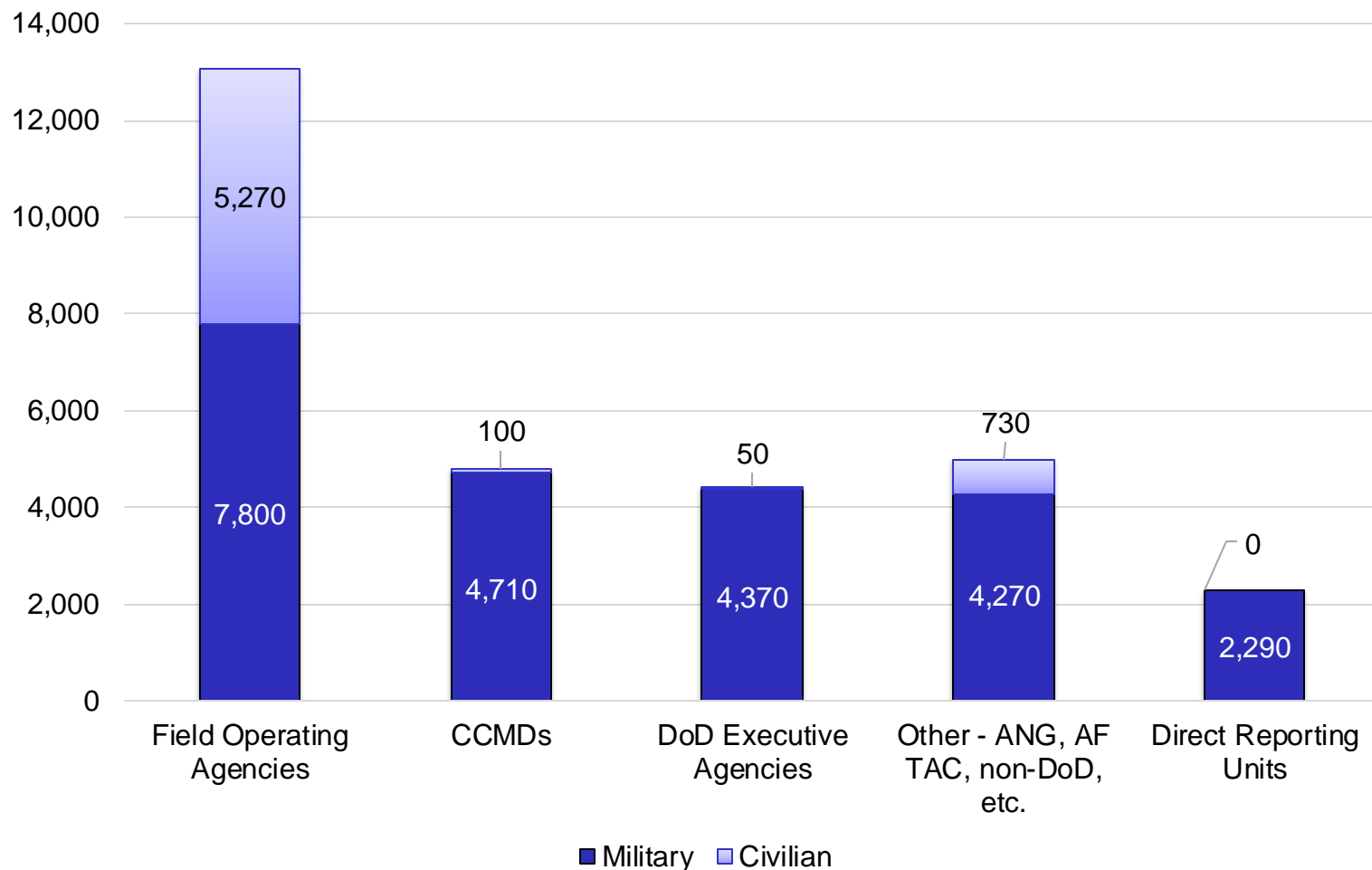
- Airmen are typically assigned to one of nine MAJCOMs when supporting a USAF mission. The MAJCOMs provide administrative support and command authorities.
- When an Airman is selected for an assignment that takes him/her outside of the above construct (e.g., Joint/interagency/combined assignment, Attaché, Security Cooperation Officer, Exchange Officer, FOA, DRU, etc.), (s)he is administratively assigned to AFDW, which provides the Airman with MAJCOM-like, administrative support and command authorities.



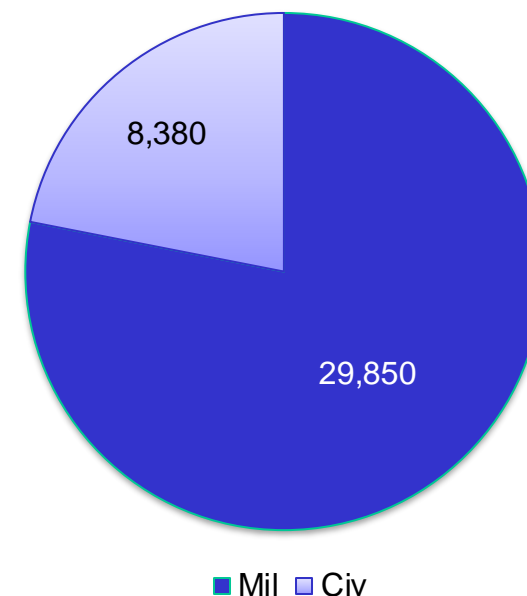
**AFDW provides for ~38K Airmen –  
~29.6K of whom are Worldwide  
Mission Airmen**



# Who are Worldwide Mission Customers?



Total WWM Personnel



**\*329 AFDW-managed billets in other MAJCOMs (ACC, AMC, AFRC, AFRC) or CIDs (6F, USSF)**

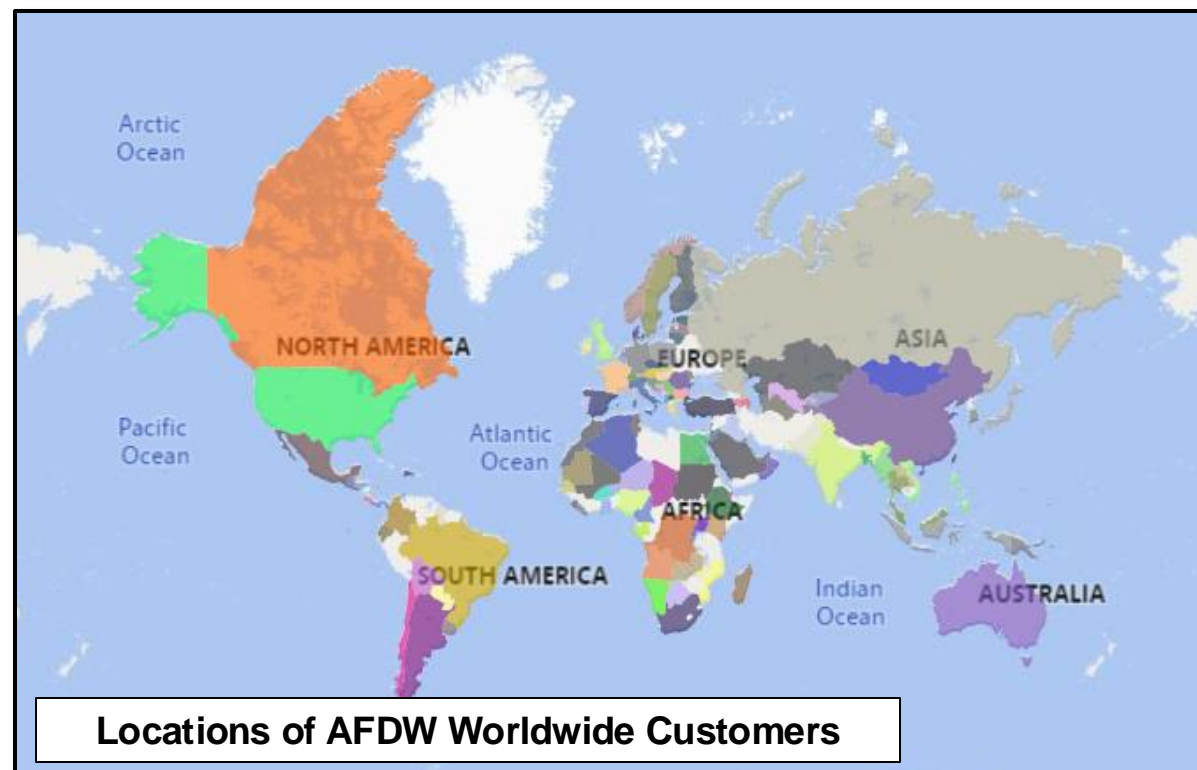
\*Data rounded to reflect continual changes



# Which Services does the AFDW Enterprise provide to its Customers?

AFDW Org	# Services	Example
A1	80	Awards & Decorations, MPF
A2	8	Intelligence, Security Programs
A3/5	31	Crisis Action Planning
A4	1	Traffic Management Office
A6	17	Information Systems Support
CCP	3	Protocol
EO	3	EO Program Oversight
FM	2	Financial Management
HC	2	Policy Oversight for Chaplains
IG	5	Commander Inspection Program
IP	4	IP Oversight
JA	11	GCMA Support
PA	8	PA Release
PK	8	Performing Audits
SB	5	Oversight for Small Business
SE	4	Mishap Prevention
SG	14	Medical Services Oversight
11Wg	16	MPF, Medical, WSA
DS	1	AF Memorial
811 <sup>th</sup> FSS	17	MPF
<b>Total</b>	<b>240</b>	

**AFDW provides 240 services to ~38K DAF personnel assigned to the 2.4K PAScodes located in 107 countries. Services provided varies by PAScode.**





# ***AFDW/CC Responsibilities***

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- **The Air Force District of Washington Commander holds multiple legal authorities and accompanying responsibilities.**
  - **Officer Senior Rater for promotion recommendation forms**
  - **Final reviewer on annual review**
  - **Convening authority for General Courts-Martial Convening Authority (GCMCA), Special Courts-Martial Convening Authority (SCMCA), non-judicial punishment**
  - **Reenlistments**
  - **Officer Grade Determination Reviews**
  - **Promotion Proprietary Action Reviews**
  - **Other administrative actions where the approval/waiver authority is identified as a major command commander**

This is not an inclusive list. For more on AFDW's authorities, look to DAFI 51-201, Administration of Military Justice; AFDW 51-2, *Military Justice and Other Criminal Proceedings*; and AFDW 51-5, *Administrative Law, Gifts, and Command Relationships*



# New Terms Overview

**Once outside the traditional Air Force construct you will be exposed to terms with which you may not be familiar. Here are a few that will quickly become part of your vernacular.**

SAFO

A commander for purposes of imposing nonjudicial punishment on USAF and USSF members assigned to that organization even if the USAF element of that organization has not been formally designated as a unit and the SAFO has not formally been appointed to command

Unit

A military organization constituted by Headquarters Air Force or, for provisional units only, designated by a Major Command, Field Operating Agency, or Direct Reporting Unit

Air Force Element  
(AFELM)

A non-unit nomenclature used to account for manpower authorizations and to identify AF personnel on duty with organizations outside the AF, such as defense Agencies, defense field activities, and ANG units not in federal service. Although not a unit for organizational purposes, an AF Element may function as a unit if so designated by the competent authority, an eligible commissioned officer either assumes command or is appointed to command and AF members are assigned or attached to the AF Element

GCMCA / SCMCA

Convening authority authorized to convene general/special courts-martial

Command  
Relationship  
(COMREL)

A relationship between the supported and supporting command required to work closely together in order to develop the best organization structure to support mission requirements and build a clear chain of command



# Steps for Seeking AFDW Support

- If you need administrative support, please contact your Military Personnel Flight.
- If you need additional information, speak with your SAFO, AFELM Commander, and/or SEL.
- Your SAFO, AFELM/CC, or SEL will reach out to the AFDW Worldwide Mission Branch by:
  - Completing a Support Management System ticket on [www.afdw.af.mil/worldwide](http://www.afdw.af.mil/worldwide)
  - Emailing [afdw.worldwide@us.af.mil](mailto:afdw.worldwide@us.af.mil)
  - Or reaching to an existing POC
- Your leadership will receive a response from the chosen functional area. As necessary, they will be directed to the right entity to support the request. AFDW will keep them updated on ticket status.





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